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PROJECT ABSTRACT

Northeast Sullivan School Corporation is a school district of 1495 students located in Southwestern Indiana. The district has six buildings hosting the K-12 student population. These buildings have an average free-reduced lunch percentage of 50.5%. The district Technology Profile reflects a capacity for more advanced classroom technologies and DS-3 internet-supported communication with parents and guardians. The Curriculum Profile reflects a readiness for more web-based instructional resources and organization. The project's 4 goals target improved core-subject classroom teaching and learning through the use of technology integration, professional development, and a commitment to statewide leadership. The primary student achievement goal is to increase student math achievement in grades 3-12 from (67.3%) in 2009 to (72.0%) in 2010, student science achievement from (46.5%) in 2009 to (51.0%) in 2010, and English/language arts achievement from (60.5%) in 2009 to (66.0%) in 2010. The Northeast School Corporation project's budget total is \$109,935 with \$31,300 (28%) budgeted for professional development. The project's Methods and Activities will proceed in five (5) phases that specify the target audience, facilitators, activities and timeline. The professional development is organized within specific Methods and Activities that are aligned with the project's Goals and Objectives. The Professional Development will proceed in three (3) stages: 1) Technology Tools Training; 2) Curriculum Design and Integration; and 3) Advanced Application. This professional development will target School Reach, eInstruction/Mobi, and NetTrekker solutions. These solutions will support improved instructional design, immediate student assessment, and communicating instructional goals and student performance to parents. A partnership between Northeast School Corporation and Southwest Sullivan School Corporation will allow for a shared Technology Coach throughout the corporations and opportunities for students to participate in distance learning courses through Novanet and Indiana Online Academy.

The major corporate partnerships will make the appropriate provisions to provide expertise in the areas of classroom educational technology, software, digital curriculum and professional development. These partners will ensure effective collaboration and implementation of all project goals and objectives.

This project has a formative and summative Evaluation Plan that will measure the progress and success of the project's four (4) goals and eight (8) objectives. This plan will be monitored at the local level and include appropriate instrumentation, methodology and a timeline.